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In re Application of: Mason et al.

Group Art Unit: 2616

Serial No.: 09/627,253

Examiner: Nguyen, Toan D.

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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.181(a) TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF
ABANDONMENT

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Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner to withdraw the holding of abandonment for the above-referenced patent application.

Applicants received a notice of abandonment dated November 12, 2008 indicating that the subject application was abandoned because Applicants failed to reply to an Office Action mailed on April 4, 2008. A copy of the notice of abandonment is attached hereto.

Serial No. 09/627,253

Applicants filed a notice of appeal along with a petition for a 2-month extension of time on September 4, 2008. Copies of the notice of appeal and the electronic acknowledgement receipt with a receipt date of September 4, 2008 are attached hereto.

The notice of appeal was filed within the 6-month time period for response to the office action dated April 4, 2008. Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.113, appeal of the rejection of all the claims is a proper reply to a final office action. Applicants intend to file an appeal brief within the extendable time period for filing an appeal brief under 37 C.F.R. § 41.37(a) and (e). Because the notice of appeal was timely filed and the time period for filing the appeal brief has not expired, withdrawal of the holding of abandonment is requested.

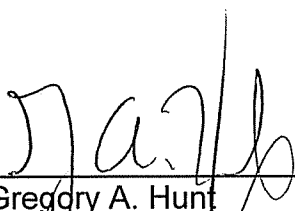
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Respectfully submitted,

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Date November 20, 2008

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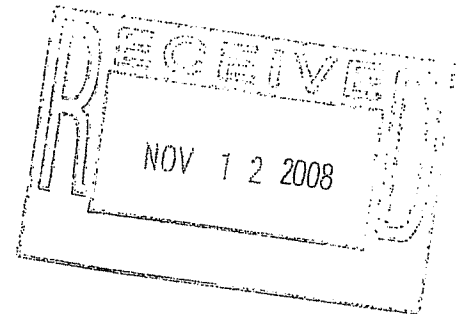
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Notice of Abandonment	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	09/627,253	MASON ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	TOAN D. NGUYEN	2416	

-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

This application is abandoned in view of:

1. ☒ Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on 04 April 2008.
 - (a) ☐ A reply was received on _____ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated _____), which is after the expiration of the period for reply (including a total extension of time of _____ month(s)) which expired on _____.
 - (b) ☐ A proposed reply was received on _____, but it does not constitute a proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 (a) to the final rejection.
(A proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 to a final rejection consists only of: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114).
 - (c) ☐ A reply was received on _____ but it does not constitute a proper reply, or a bona fide attempt at a proper reply, to the non-final rejection. See 37 CFR 1.85(a) and 1.111. (See explanation in box 7 below).
 - (d) ☒ No reply has been received.

2. ☐ Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).
 - (a) ☐ The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, was received on _____ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated _____), which is after the expiration of the statutory period for payment of the issue fee (and publication fee) set in the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).
 - (b) ☐ The submitted fee of \$_____ is insufficient. A balance of \$_____ is due.
The issue fee required by 37 CFR 1.18 is \$_____. The publication fee, if required by 37 CFR 1.18(d), is \$_____.
 - (c) ☐ The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, has not been received.

3. ☐ Applicant's failure to timely file corrected drawings as required by, and within the three-month period set in, the Notice of Allowability (PTO-37).
 - (a) ☐ Proposed corrected drawings were received on _____ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated _____), which is after the expiration of the period for reply.
 - (b) ☐ No corrected drawings have been received.

4. ☐ The letter of express abandonment which is signed by the attorney or agent of record, the assignee of the entire interest, or all of the applicants.

5. ☐ The letter of express abandonment which is signed by an attorney or agent (acting in a representative capacity under 37 CFR 1.34(a)) upon the filing of a continuing application.

6. ☐ The decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interference rendered on _____ and because the period for seeking court review of the decision has expired and there are no allowed claims.

7. ☒ The reason(s) below:

 Called the attorney (11/05/08) but there was no response.

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Supervisory Patent Examiner, Art Unit 2416

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Examiner, Art Unit 2416

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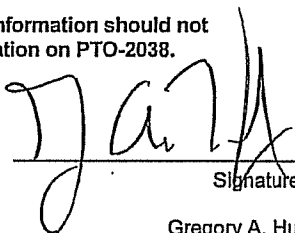
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<p>Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the last decision of the examiner.</p> <p>The fee for this Notice of Appeal is (37 CFR 41.20(b)(1)) \$ <u>510.00 (previously paid)</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee shown above is reduced by half, and the resulting fee is: \$ _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>50-0426</u>. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> A petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) (PTO/SB/22) is enclosed.</p> <p style="margin-top: 10px;">WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</p> <p>I am the</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> applicant/inventor.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent of record. Registration number <u>41,085</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent acting under 37 CFR 1.34. Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34. _____</p> <div style="text-align: right; margin-top: 10px;">  _____ Signature <u>Gregory A. Hunt</u> Typed or printed name <u>919-493-8000</u> Telephone number <u>September 4, 2008</u> Date </div> <p style="margin-top: 10px;">NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below*.</p>								
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